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NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Laurie Magid today announced the filing of a 10 count indictment¹ charging Leon Booker with one count of illegal dealing in firearms without a license; three counts of possessing and trafficking in stolen firearms; three counts of possessing a machine gun; and three counts of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

The indictment charges that Leon Booker was caught selling five machine guns and one other firearm that had been stolen from a licensed firearms dealer as the dealer was leaving a gun show at the Valley Forge Convention Center in December 2008. At the time, the defendant sold the guns, he had told the buyer they were stolen, and also knew he had been convicted of a crime that barred him from legally owning any gun at all.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

| NAME | ADDRESS | AGE OR YEAR OF BIRTH |
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| Leon Booker | Yeadon, Pennsylvania | 1978 |

If convicted, the defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of 100 years in prison, three years supervised release, a \$2,500,000 fine and a special assessment of \$1,000.

The case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, in conjunction with the Upper Merion Township Police Department and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Elizabeth Abrams.

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